IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF

KRELL ET AL.

APPLICATION NO: 10/588,169

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FOR: COUPLING REACTIONS USEFUL IN THE PREPARATION OF

(1H-TETRAZOL-5-YL)BIPHENYL DERIVATIVES

MS: Amendment Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

This paper is supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statements filed November 7, 2006, October 5, 2007, and September 17, 2008. Since Applicant believes this paper is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits, no fees are believed to be required under 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(3). If a fee is deemed to be required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fee to Deposit Account No. 19-0134.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.56, applicant wishes to call the Examiner's attention to the references cited on the attached form(s) PTO-1449.

Copies of these references are enclosed herewith.

The Examiner is requested to consider the foregoing information in relation to this application and indicate that each reference was considered by returning a copy of the initialed PTO 1449 form(s).

Respectfully submitted,

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